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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals, 445 Twelfth Street, S. W.
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation
CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-160 – Request for Confidential Material from
AT&T and MCI WorldCom

Dear Ms. Salas:

Pursuant to the Protective Order issued by the Commission in the above-referenced docket proceeding on July 27, 1998 (13 FCC Rcd 13910), attached are copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s ("BellSouth") requests and signed declarations addressed to AT&T Corporation and MCI WorldCom. BellSouth is requesting a copy of AT&T's and MCI WorldCom's Comments filed in this proceeding on July 23, 1999 which contains proprietary information.

Two copies of this Notice are being submitted to the Secretary of the Commission in accordance with Section 1.1206(a) of the Commission's Rules. These declarations were originally intended to be sent on August 20, 1999, however, they were misdirected to the United States Post Office rather than Federal Express. The declarations were returned to BellSouth on October 7, 1999.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

Sincerely,



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Re: CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-160 – Request for Confidential Material from
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Dear Messrs. Rosenblum and Jacoby:

Enclosed please find four declarations which have been executed by Daniel Fancher, Douglas Cole, William Tyler and Robert McKnight of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., who will be reviewing the comments filed by AT&T and MCI WorldCom on July 23, 1999 in the above referenced proceedings.

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Attachment A:

DECLARATION

In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Forward-Looking Mechanism for High Cost Support for Non-Rural LECs (CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-160).

I, Daniel L. Fancher, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the Protective Order that has been entered by the Common Carrier Bureau in this proceeding, and that I agree to be bound by its terms pertaining to the treatment of Confidential Information submitted by parties to this proceeding. I understand that the Confidential Information shall not be disclosed to anyone except in accordance with the terms of the Protective Order and shall be used only for purposes of the proceedings in this matter. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Common Carrier Bureau. I acknowledge that this Protective Order is also a binding agreement with the Submitting Party.

(signed) Daniel L. Fancher

(printed name) Daniel L. Fancher

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I, Douglas Cole, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the Protective Order that has been entered by the Common Carrier Bureau in this proceeding, and that I agree to be bound by its terms pertaining to the treatment of Confidential Information submitted by parties to this proceeding. I understand that the Confidential Information shall not be disclosed to anyone except in accordance with the terms of the Protective Order and shall be used only for purposes of the proceedings in this matter. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Common Carrier Bureau. I acknowledge that this Protective Order is also a binding agreement with the Submitting Party.

(signed) Douglas Cole

(printed name) Douglas Cole

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I, William J. Tyler, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the Protective Order that has been entered by the Common Carrier Bureau in this proceeding, and that I agree to be bound by its terms pertaining to the treatment of Confidential Information submitted by parties to this proceeding. I understand that the Confidential Information shall not be disclosed to anyone except in accordance with the terms of the Protective Order and shall be used only for purposes of the proceedings in this matter. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Common Carrier Bureau. I acknowledge that this Protective Order is also a binding agreement with the Submitting Party.

(signed) William J. Tyler
(printed name) William J. Tyler
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I, Robert G. McKnight, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the Protective Order that has been entered by the Common Carrier Bureau in this proceeding, and that I agree to be bound by its terms pertaining to the treatment of Confidential Information submitted by parties to this proceeding. I understand that the Confidential Information shall not be disclosed to anyone except in accordance with the terms of the Protective Order and shall be used only for purposes of the proceedings in this matter. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Common Carrier Bureau. I acknowledge that this Protective Order is also a binding agreement with the Submitting Party.

(signed) Robert G. McKnight
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